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 APPARATUS USING SAME

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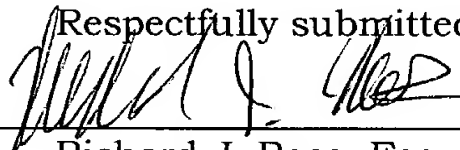
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	BA	2000-75845	3/14/00	JAPAN	G09G	5/00	Yes (Abstract)
	BB	9-18723	1/17/97	JAPAN	H04N	1/46	Yes (Abstract)
	BC	11-65537	3/9/99	JAPAN	G09G	3/36	Yes (Abstract)
	BD	11-8769	1/12/99	JAPAN	H04N	1/407	Yes (Abstract)
	BE	3-18822	1/28/91	JAPAN	G02F	1/133	Yes (Abstract)
	BF	9-185707	7/15/97	JAPAN	G06T	5/00	Yes (Abstract)
	BG	2000-148068	5/26/00	JAPAN	G09G	3/20	Yes (Abstract)
	BH	9-16756	1/17/97	JAPAN	G06T	1/00	Yes (Abstract)
	BI	5-64103	3/12/93	JAPAN	H04N	5/57	Yes (Abstract)
	BJ	3-185515	8/13/91	JAPAN	G06F	7/38	Yes (Abstract)
	BK	8-46897	2/16/96	JAPAN	H04N	5/66	Yes (Abstract)

OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)

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